



# Harris County Juvenile Probation Department

Henry Gonzales, Executive Director

## Executive Monthly Activity Report – December, 2021

### **2021 Year End Summary Brief**

In 2021, the department received 3,593 referrals, averaging 300 referrals per month, which involved 2,391 youth. A decline in referral activity was noted when compared to 2020 data (-6.1%). Respectively, youth counts also reduced by 6.9%. As noted on page 2, although there was a decrease in overall referrals, the differences stem primarily from total Misdemeanor A/B offenses (-11.1%) and Violations of Probation (-3.5%). Overall, Felony referrals have decreased 1% as compared to 2020. However, felony crimes against persons, increase 1.7%, totaling 858 referrals, while felony crimes against property totaled to 447 referrals, a 20% decrease (see page 1).

As indicated on page 4, the number one ranking felony offense was Aggravated Robbery/Displaying Weapon/Serious Bodily Injury (359 referrals). In parallel, Assault- Causes Bodily Injury to Another (324 referrals), was the number one ranking misdemeanor offense. Both top 10 felony offenses and top 10 misdemeanor offenses contributed to more than half of all offenses of their respective category of severity.

Naturally, COVID continued to impact the court process, however the courts were able to increase their dockets and as a result the probation dispositions increased by 28.5%, deferred adjudications by 15.4%, and TJJD commitments by 40%. There were no significant changes in the number of certifications in 2021 when compared to 2020. It should be noted that two of the youth certified in 2021 were older than HCJPD age of jurisdiction at the time of certification.

Youth placed in Harris County Juvenile post-adjudicated facilities declined by 13.7% since 2020, yet more notably since 2019 (-33.3%). In addition, a 41.2% decrease was seen as well in private placements.

Ultimately, when focusing on total referrals to the department and youth referred at the end of 2021, the data looks very similar to the end of the 2020 year. One significant contributing factor is the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic, which was first diagnosed in Harris County on March 11, 2020. There has been a subsequent 50% decrease in the number of youth referred to the department since 2019. At the end of 2019, 4,731 youth were referred (just before the pandemic), whereas the end of 2021 there were only 2,391 youth referred. In addition, between 2020 and 2021, the department made efforts to reduce the Detention and facility populations. This is evident in the 31.5% drop of youth admitted to the Detention Center.

# JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT

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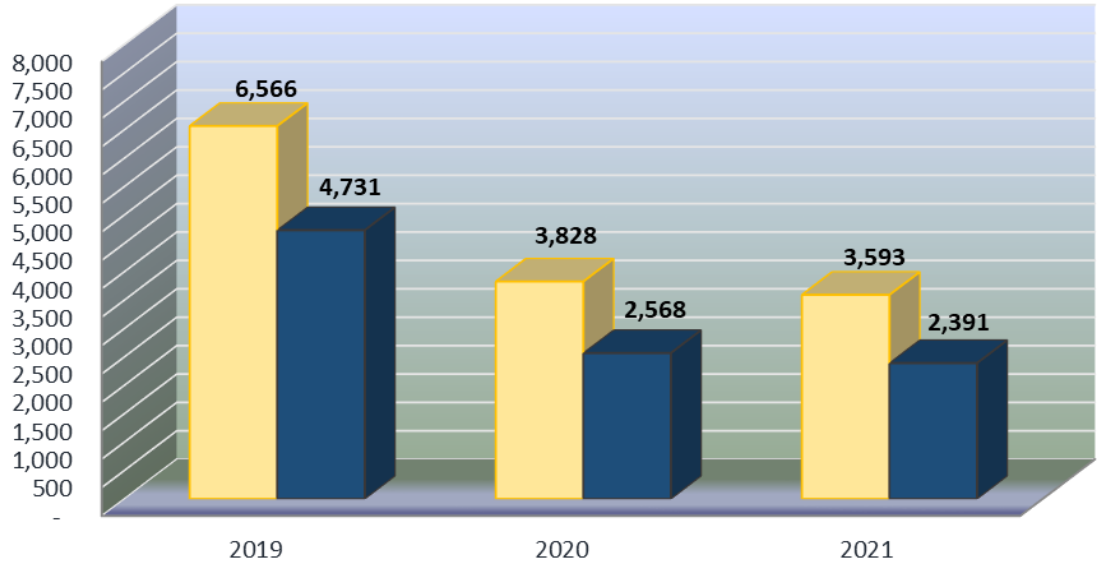


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2021 Referrals	
January	261
February	279
March	309
April	333
May	316
June	242
July	238
August	264
September	325
October	319
November	351
December	356
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3,593</b>
<b>AVERAGE</b>	<b>299</b>
<b>YOUTH</b>	<b>2,391</b>

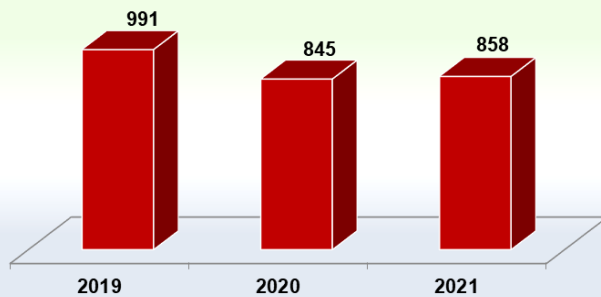
**Criminal and Violation of Probation Referrals and Youth January-December 2019-2021**



**Type of Charge Based on Crime Category**

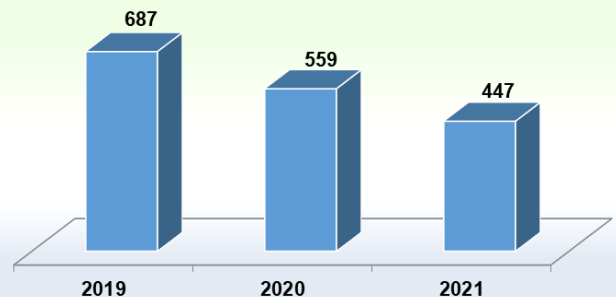
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL	% TOTAL
Person (Felony)*	61	64	59	100	80	78	79	85	86	52	47	67	858	23.9%
Person (Misdemeanor)	37	36	47	51	44	23	22	36	63	75	94	45	573	15.9%
Property (Felony)*	41	35	40	45	39	32	35	28	34	34	39	45	447	12.4%
Property (Misdemeanor)	12	31	35	18	30	20	38	20	27	19	28	48	326	9.1%
Illegal Substance	11	5	11	14	12	4	5	6	12	12	12	11	115	3.2%
All Others	94	107	111	93	103	79	55	79	93	124	119	135	1192	33.2%
Violations of Probation (VOP)- Technical	5	1	6	12	8	6	4	10	10	3	12	5	82	2.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>3593</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**Felony Crimes Against Persons\* January-December 2019-2021**



\*Murder, Robbery, Assault, and Sexual Assault

**Felony Crimes Against Property\* January-December 2019-2021**



\*Arson, Burglary, Theft, Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, and Mischief



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### Offense Charge per Referral

Referral Type by Race & Gender	Black		Hispanic		White		Other		Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec	Jan-Dec
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	2020	2021	% Change
<b>Felonies</b>											
Arson	1	10	4	1	3	6	0	0	15	25	66.7%
Assault - Felony	47	125	26	91	9	16	0	0	318	314	-1.3%
Auto Theft	2	14	2	10	0	0	0	0	34	28	-17.6%
Burglary	1	31	6	41	3	16	0	0	193	98	-49.2%
Drugs - Felony	1	12	13	38	3	3	0	0	77	70	-9.1%
Evade/Resisting Arrest Felony	5	85	8	74	0	14	0	0	167	186	11.4%
Homicide	0	10	4	6	0	0	0	1	9	21	133.3%
Mischief/Felony	4	14	5	5	1	2	0	0	32	31	-3.1%
Other	10	55	13	71	2	13	0	2	98	166	69.4%
Other Personal	6	11	0	11	0	3	0	0	33	31	-6.1%
Robbery	16	256	22	109	1	15	0	0	420	419	-0.2%
Sexual Assault	0	27	1	33	1	10	0	1	65	73	12.3%
Theft - Felony	3	46	2	15	1	3	0	0	69	70	1.4%
Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle	9	107	7	61	3	7	0	1	216	195	-9.7%
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>803</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1746</b>	<b>1727</b>	<b>-1.1%</b>
<b>Misdemeanor A &amp; B</b>											
Assault	111	201	70	131	25	33	0	2	508	573	12.8%
Drugs	2	6	10	14	0	8	0	0	64	40	-37.5%
DWI - M/MB	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	15	5	-66.7%
Evade/Resisting Arrest	27	163	13	77	2	14	0	1	364	297	-18.4%
Mischief	11	23	10	12	0	9	0	0	82	65	-20.7%
Other	26	167	18	193	4	22	0	4	425	434	2.1%
Theft	19	65	12	52	2	13	0	0	302	163	-46.0%
Trespass - M/MB	8	34	7	40	5	4	0	0	124	98	-21.0%
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1884</b>	<b>1675</b>	<b>-11.1%</b>
<b>Violations of Probation</b>											
Violation of Probation-Technical	7	30	3	37	3	2	0	0	94	82	-12.8%
Violation of Probation -Other Jurisdiction	2	54	2	47	0	3	0	1	104	109	4.8%
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>-3.5%</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>1546</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>1172</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3828</b>	<b>3593</b>	<b>-6.1%</b>



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#### *Top 10 Felony and Misdemeanor Offenses: January-December 2021\**

<b>RANK</b>	<b>Top 10 Felony Offenses</b>	<b>Jan-Dec 2021</b>	<b>% of Total Felonies</b>
1	AGGRAVATED ROBBERY/DISPLAYING WEAPON/SERIOUS BODILY INJURY	359	20.8%
2	UNAUTHORIZED USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE	195	11.3%
3	EVADING ARREST DETENTION W/VEHICLE	179	10.4%
4	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT-USES DEADLY WEAPON	104	6.0%
5	ROBBERY/CAUSES BODILY INJURY/THREATS BOD.INJURY/DEATH	59	3.4%
6	AGGRAVATED ASSAULT OF A FAMILY MEMBER	48	2.8%
7	ASSAULT PUBLIC SERVANT	48	2.8%
8	BURGLARY OF HABITATION	48	2.8%
9	BURGLARY OF A BUILDING	44	2.5%
10	AGGRAVATED SEXUAL ASSAULT CHILD UNDER 14 YEARS OF AGE	43	2.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1127</b>	<b>65.3%</b>

<b>RANK</b>	<b>Top 10 Misdemeanor Offenses</b>	<b>Jan-Dec 2021</b>	<b>% of Total Felonies</b>
1	ASSAULT - CAUSES BODILY INJURY TO ANOTHER	324	19.4%
2	EVADING ARREST DETENTION	261	15.6%
3	ASSAULT-FAMILY MEMBER	221	13.2%
4	UNLAWFUL CARRYING OF WEAPONS - KNIFE, GUN OR CLUB	151	9.0%
5	TERRORISTIC THREAT - GENERAL	93	5.6%
6	BURGLARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE	73	4.4%
7	THEFT AND CONTROL OF PROPERTY - \$100 - \$750	57	3.4%
8	CRIMINAL TRESPASS	46	2.7%
9	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF - \$100 - \$750 PROPERTY DAMAGE	40	2.4%
10	UNL CARRYING WEAPON - HANDGUN	39	2.3%
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>1305</b>	<b>78.0%</b>

\*Top 10 Felony and Misdemeanor Offenses are based on the current year and subject to change in the reporting month.

Personal charges and Property charges are differentiated by color on the above tables



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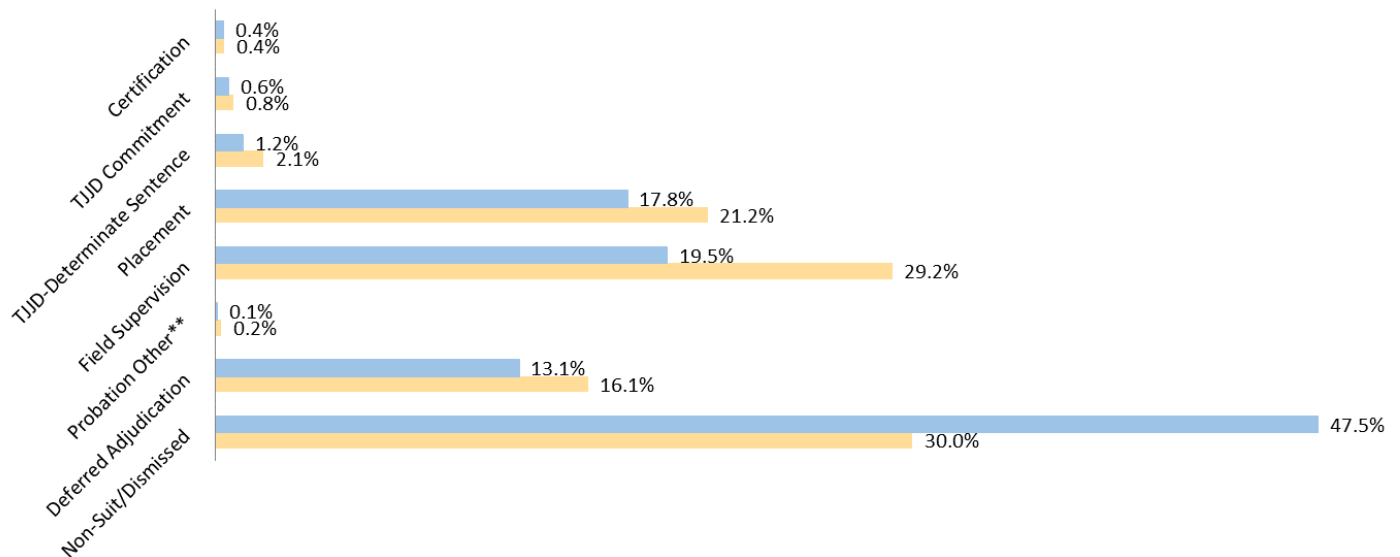
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### Court Activity\* January-December 2021

YOUTH COURT DECISIONS	Black		Hispanic		White		Other		2021	2021	2020
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Decision	YOUTH	Youth
Certification	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	6	5	5
TJJD Commitment	0	4	1	4	0	1	0	0	21	10	8
TJJD-Determinate Sentence	0	11	0	14	0	1	0	0	34	26	17
Probation	23	275	38	255	4	30	0	5	928	630	527
Placement	13	129	12	105	1	4	0	0	471	264	251
Field Supervision	10	145	25	150	3	25	0	5	452	363	275
Probation Other	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	5	3	1
Deferred Adjudication	12	74	11	82	4	14	1	2	225	200	185
Non-Suit/Dismissed	28	159	28	126	6	25	1	1	789	374	671
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>1245</b>	<b>1413</b>

\*Youth may be counted multiple times if received multiple decisions within the noted time period.

### Disposition Comparison of Youth\* January-December 2020 / 2021





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## Certifications

Disposition Year	Court			Youth Total	Petition Total
	313	314	315		
Jan-Dec 2021	1	2 / 1*	1*	5	6
2020	2	1	2*	5	9
2019	1	1*	1 / 2*	5	7
2018	8	5	3	16	25
2017	7	10	6	23	37

*\*Youth were older than HCJPD age of jurisdiction at the time of certification, even though the offense(s) were committed at younger ages.*



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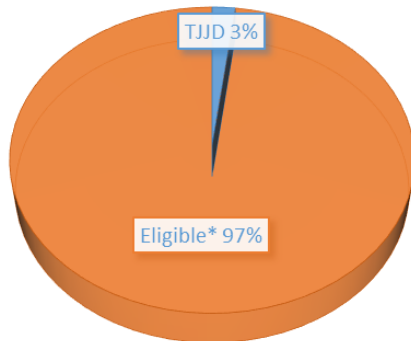
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#### TJJD Eligible Dispositions by Court

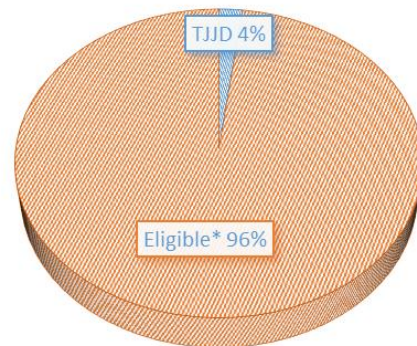
Disposition Year	Disposition	313th Youth	314th Youth	315th Youth	TOTALS Youth
<b>Jan-Dec 2021</b>	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	8	19	9	36
	Other Dispositions**	261	302	350	913
<b>2020</b>	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	11	10	4	25
	Other Dispositions**	275	334	324	933
<b>2019</b>	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	44	11	7	62
	Other Dispositions**	443	520	588	1551
<b>2018</b>	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	63	63	23	149
	Other Dispositions**	586	564	612	1762
<b>2017</b>	TJJD / TJJD Determinate	79	88	36	203
	Other Dispositions**	551	489	625	1665

\*Other dispositions include: certification, placement in a county facility, field probation, deferred, and non-suit (dismissed).

**TJJD Commitments vs. Eligible (Youth)**  
**January-December 2020**



**TJJD Commitments vs. Eligible (Youth)**  
**January-December 2021**



\*Eligible: Youth with an eligible offense who were not committed to TJJD.



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<i><b>Youth Admitted to Facilities*</b></i>			
<b>Facilities</b>	<b>Year Ending</b>		<b>Jan-Dec</b>
	<b>2019</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Leadership Academy</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>157</b>
<b>MEZZO</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>118</b>
<b>Quest</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Former Programs</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Youth Village</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Girls Intense Trauma</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Boys Intense Trauma</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Girls Program</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Boys Program</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Youth Village Transition</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Former Programs</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>County Post-Adjudication Subtotal</b>	<b>397</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>257</b>
<b>Private Placements</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Amikids Rio Grande Valley</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Center for Success</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Grayson County RTC</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Mingus Mountain Estate</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Mountain Home Academy</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Pegasus Schools, Inc.</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Refuge RTC</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Victoria County JJC</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Woodward Academy</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Post-Adjudication Total</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>277</b>

<i><b>Pre-adjudicated Youth*</b></i>			
<b>Detention Center</b>	<b>2734</b>	<b>1598</b>	<b>1095</b>
<b>Harris County Psychiatric</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>82</b>

\*Youth admitted is a count of individual youth, not the number of admits each may have had at that particular facility. If a youth was admitted at two different facilities he was counted once at each facility. If a youth was admitted at the same facility for different charges, he/she was counted for the different admissions.





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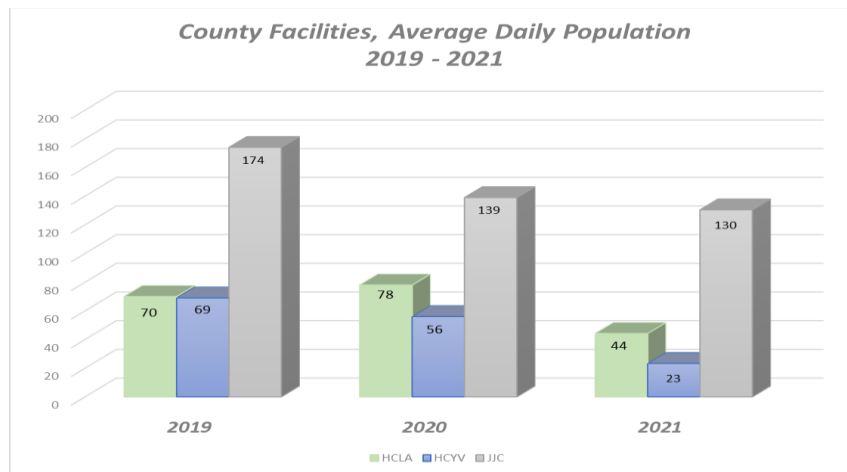
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### Average Daily Population - County Facilities\*

2021 County Facilities (available beds)	Current Year January-December				Current Month December			
	Black	Hispanic	White	Total	Black	Hispanic	White	Total
<b>Post - Adjudicated Facilities</b>								
Leadership Academy (96)	23	21	0	44	25	19	0	43
MEZZO	12	11	0	23	11	10	0	21
Quest	11	10	0	21	14	9	0	23
Former Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harris County Youth Village (128)	11	12	0	23	12	10	0	22
Girls Intense Trauma	2	2	0	4	0	1	0	1
Boys Intense Trauma	5	6	0	11	0	0	0	0
Girls Program	0	1	0	1	2	2	0	4
Boys Program	4	3	0	7	10	7	0	17
Former Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Harris County Psychiatric Center - Post	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
<b>Pre - Adjudicated Facilities</b>								
Detention Center (250)	68	57	5	130	76	45	6	127
Detention Unit	59	47	3	109	67	41	4	112
Detention Assessment Unit	5	4	0	9	4	1	1	6
Harris County Psychiatric Center - Pre	4	6	2	12	5	3	1	9



\*JJC includes: Detention Unit, Detention Assessment Unit, and Harris County Psychiatric Center-Pre.

\*Detention Unit Current Average Length of Stay 27.31 days

### Average Daily Population - Private Facilities\*

2021 Private Placement	Current Year January - December				Current Month December			
	Black	Hispanic	White	Total	Black	Hispanic	White	Total
Amikids Rio Grande Valley	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	2
Center for Success & Independence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grayson County RTC	1	0	0	1	2	2	0	4
Mountain Home Academy	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Pegasus Schools, Inc.	1	1	1	3	2	1	2	5
Refuge RTC	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Victoria County JJC	1	1	0	2	0	1	0	1
Woodward Academy	3	2	0	5	4	0	0	4

\*Average daily population (ADP) has been reconfigured to better align with national definitions. Individual youth may be represented at more than one facility.



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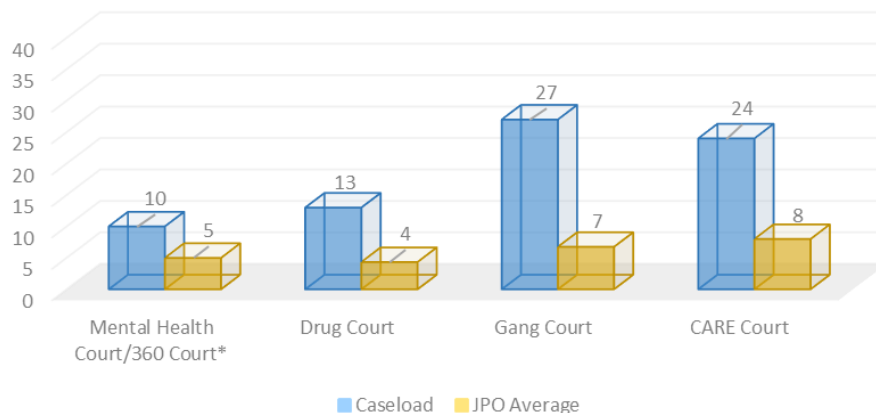
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#### Supervision Activity\*

<b>2021</b>	<b><u>Current Month</u></b>	
<b>Type of Probation Service</b>	<b>December</b>	<b>Caseload JPO Avg</b>
<b>Community Supervision</b>	<b>443</b>	<b>13</b>
<i>Deferred Adjudication</i>	<i>44</i>	
<b>Specialized Supervision</b>	<b>338</b>	
Mental Health	62	16
<i>Deferred Adjudication</i>	<i>5</i>	
Sex Offender	47	9
<i>Deferred Adjudication</i>	<i>7</i>	
RISE Program	68	10
YESS Program	126	13
<i>Deferred Adjudication</i>	<i>2</i>	
Dual Status Unit	35	9
<i>Deferred Adjudication</i>	<i>4</i>	
<b>Deferred Intervention Division</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>35</b>
Second Chance	173	
Second Chance Under 12	7	
FIRST Program	80	
Diversion 180	275	
Diversion Under 12	6	
180-Day (Third Ward)	13	
180-Day (Fifth Ward)	14	
Fifth Ward Deferred Prosecution	0	
RTC Diversion	19	
Deferred Adjudication	74	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1442</b>	

\*Youth caseload is based on a daily caseload average for the time period shown. JPO caseload average is calculated using the last JPO of record.

#### Specialized Court Activity for December 2021



\*\*Specialized Court Activity represents average youth count for the time period shown.



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Diversion and Deferred Programs -2021															
						January - December					December				
<i>Accepted Youth into Diversion and Intervention Programs</i>						Black	Hispanic	White	Other	Total	Black	Hispanic	White	Other	Total
Deferred Adjudication (Arrested, Petitioned)						64	61	17	2	144	0	0	0	0	0
<i>DID Deferred Prosecution Programs (Arrested, Not Petitioned)</i>															
Diversion 180						211	233	53	2	499	24	30	4	0	58
Diversion Under 12						4	4	0	0	8	0	1	0	0	1
FIRST Deferred Prosecution						82	72	17	2	173	6	5	2	0	13
RTC Diversion						29	11	5	0	45	1	0	0	0	1
180-Day (Third Ward)						11	2	0	0	13	1	0	0	0	1
180-Day (Fifth Ward)						13	4	0	0	17	2	1	0	0	3
Fifth Ward Deferred Prosecution						3	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Second Chance Deferred Prosecution						153	175	37	0	365	30	30	8	0	68
Second Chance Under 12						8	2	1	0	11	2	0	0	0	2
Total						578	565	130	6	1279	66	67	14	0	147

Marijuana Diversionary Completions (No Arrest, No Petition)													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
Assigned	40	28	58	60	43	39	40	25	62	54	55	55	559
Completed	31	0	32	25	29	16	27	17	26	40	35	20	298



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### *Dual Supervision Status\**

Status*	Current Year January - December 2021	Current Month December 2021
	Average Youth	Youth
JUVENILE JUSTICE**		
Pending Court	16	21
Probation - Field Supervision	13	12
Probation - CJPO Custody	4	3
Out of County Supervision	2	2
Indirect	0	0
TOTAL	35	38
CJPO CUSTODY / DFPS CONSERVATORSHIP- FACILITY TYPE		
County Facility - Detention	10	12
County Facility (Post-adjudication)	2	1
Private Facility (Post-adjudication)	2	2
TOTAL	14	15

\*Dual Supervision are youth involved with both Harris County Juvenile Probation Department (HCJPD) and the Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS). Youth Count is based on a youth having an active supervision at the end of the reporting month. \*\*If a youth has more than one supervision type, only the adjudicated supervision is reported.